

26 Feb 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Distribution and Control of U.S. Position
Paper for the Standing Group Intelligence
Estimate

1. Thank you for your memorandum of 21 January bearing on the distribution and security control of the Standing Group Intelligence Estimate following its release into NATO channels.

2. In the light of the information forwarded by you I do not propose to pursue this matter further at the present time. Nevertheless, despite any elaborate security arrangements which may have been developed, I believe that, as a practical matter, the transmission of such a sensitive intelligence paper into NATO channels will continue to pose a potential security problem. I, therefore, feel this is a problem which should be kept under continuing review, with the aim of ensuring that all feasible steps are taken to reduce even further the security risks inherent in such a distribution of these estimates.

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ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

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General Cabell:

This is the matter which the Director raised at the 13 January Intelligence Board Meeting (see minutes attached as Tab A). He also referred to it in his letter transmitting the NATO Standing Group Intelligence Estimate to the Joint Chiefs of Staff (see Tab B). In this letter the Director proposes to discuss this matter further with General Breitweiser. For your information, I am attaching a copy of the NATO document mentioned in the last paragraph of General Breitweiser's Memorandum (see Tab C).

This Memorandum has been shown to the Director and a copy thereof has been sent to DD/I (Attn: Mr.) for information. Do you wish to have this matter placed as an agenda item at an Intelligence Board Meeting?

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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT : Distribution and Control of U. S. Position Paper
for the Standing Group Intelligence Estimate

1. This memorandum contains comments, as requested, on the attached memorandum, subject as above.

2. I recommend that you take the action suggested by [redacted] in paragraph 4.a. of the subject memorandum by signing the proposed letter to General Breitweiser (Tab F). This seems to be the most appropriate action practicable at this time.

Agree
3. I suggest that after you have dispatched the proposed letter to General Breitweiser, or taken such other immediate action as you deem appropriate, the attached file be referred to [redacted] Office of Security, for study and possible further suggestion.

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L. K. TRUSCOTT, JR.
General, USA (Ret.)
Deputy Director (Coordination)

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SIGNED

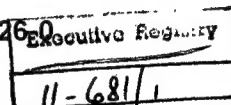
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/s/ A. W. D.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: Distribution and Control of U. S. Position Paper for
the Standing Group Intelligence Estimate

1. Attached is a memorandum from General Breitweiser (Tab A) indicating Joint Chiefs of Staff approval of the NATO Standing Group Intelligence Estimate subject to one change. With the authorization of Mr. Amory I circulated this memorandum to the Intelligence Board stating that no further Board review was considered necessary.
2. Before closing the books on this matter I thought it desirable to double-check to determine whether you wished to take any further action on the security question which you raised personally at the 13 January Board meeting (Tab B). As you recall, you expressed concern regarding certain potential security problems which might arise as a result of the distribution of this paper to the NATC governments. In transmitting the paper to the Joint Chiefs of Staff (Tab C) you alluded to this question, noted that you planned to discuss it further with General Breitweiser, and added: "If I have any more specific comments or suggestions on these security considerations following our discussion I shall communicate them to you".

3. Our understanding is that you were shown the attached memorandum from General Breitweiser on the security question (Tab D) sometime ago but did not then direct that there be any further communication with either the Joint Chiefs or General Breitweiser on the matter. You may have been satisfied by the memorandum and rather elaborate security arrangements outlined in the attached NATO document (Tab E). On the other hand, if there is a possibility that you may desire to pursue the matter again at a later date you might wish to add something to the record at this time to avoid the possible inference that you are completely satisfied.

4. Assuming that you do not wish to push the matter further now, but prefer to leave the door open for raising the question again, the alternatives include:

a. Forward a letter, such as the one attached, to General Breitweiser. (Tab F)

b. Instruct me to pass the substance of the draft letter orally to General Breitweiser or a responsible member of his staff.

c. Do nothing unless General Breitweiser or his staff inquires, at which point the substance of the draft letter could be passed on to him.

5. Please indicate which course of action you prefer.

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[Redacted Signature Box]

JOHN HEIRES

Executive Secretary

United States Intelligence Board



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21 January 1959

Date 3/2/81 Reviewer [redacted]

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director of Central Intelligence

Subject: Distribution and Control of U. S. Position
Paper for the Standing Group Intelligence
Estimate (S.G. 161/12)

1. At its meeting on 13 January, United States Intelligence Board (USIB) members discussed the security aspects of the Standing Group Estimate and expressed concern as to its ultimate disposition once the paper is released into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) channels. J-2 has reviewed the procedures under which both the Position Paper and the resulting NATO Estimate are handled. We believe that security control of an acceptably high order is provided in the Standing Group and in NATO.

2. On approval by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the U. S. Position Paper will be forwarded to the United States Representative to the Standing Group through State-Defense Military Information Control Center (S-DMICC). In forwarding the Position Paper to the Standing Group, S-DMICC will restrict dissemination to [redacted] with release to be on a quid pro quo and need-to-know basis, in the [redacted] security system, and in furtherance of the U. S. position. In the past, it has been the custom to request return of the papers released to the other representatives after they had served the purpose for which they were prepared and it is our intent to do so in the future.


3. After the Ad Hoc Intelligence Working Group completes its work in March, the Draft Standing Group Estimate will be forwarded to the three Governments represented on the Standing Group for information and comment. The draft copy for the United States will be transmitted to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who will forward a copy to the U. S. Intelligence Board. Comments and recommendations of USIB will then be forwarded to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The Joint Chiefs of Staff, after considering the comments and recommendations of the USIB, and the U. S. Representative to the Standing Group, will inform the U. S. Representative of their action. This will then serve as guidance to Admiral Boone in the final adoption of S.G. 161/12. This Estimate, which is classified [redacted] TOP SECRET, is released to the remainder of NATO by the Standing Group through their Representatives on the Military Committee.

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4. Present disclosure policies which permit intelligence estimates of this nature to be released to NATO, were established after careful consideration of the level of security maintained in the NATO nations. In addition, the parties to NATO have agreed to certain minimum standards of security for the safekeeping of NATO classified information and security inspections are made by NATO authorities with U. S. representation and by S-DMICC, to verify the adequacy of the security procedures and controls.

25X1 5. Special requirements are in force for [] and NATO clearances in addition to those National requirements for highest security clearances established in each of the member nations. The holding of a highest classification national clearance does not, in itself, authorize a person to have access to NATO or [] documents. NATO and [] clearance are also required. [] and NATO Sub-Registries are established by each nation, or headquarters, to control these documents, maintain their accountability, and regulate access to them. These security measures are those which provide protection for any U. S. generated intelligence which is released to NATO, as well as for any NATO intelligence papers which utilize U. S. furnished intelligence in their preparation. 25X1

6. The categories and classification levels of information that may be released to NATO are enunciated in MIC 206/29 (revised), dated 15 November 1955. The policies included in these documents have come about as a result of the North Atlantic Council's establishment and implementation of security control procedures within NATO ("Security Within the North Atlantic Organization" C-M(55)15 (Final), dated 31 October 1958, NATO RESTRICTED). If this NATO document is not available in your files, I would be happy to secure a copy for your information.


ROBERT A. BREITWEISER
Major General, USAF
Director for Intelligence

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